

## **Talking points**

### **Signing of Ethics Bill (SB 2983)**

**10:30 a.m., Thursday, May 12, 2008**

### **Jackson**

- Appreciate the willingness of the Legislature to tackle this important good government issue.
- Especially Lt. Gov. Phil Bryant, who appointed the Senate Ethics Committee and named Sen. Merle Flowers as its chairman; Chairman Ed Blackmon of the House Judicial A Committee, who shepherded the bill through the House.
- Genuine example of bi-partisanship in action, as members of both parties very actively supported this bill.
- It's the first significant ethics reform in a long time and will open the process of government to the citizens of Mississippi.
- To discuss details in the bill:
  - Call on Lt. Gov. Bryant for comments.
  - Senator Flowers comments.
  - Rep. Blackmon comments (if he's in attendance)
- (You are signing the actual bill, SB 2983)
- Q&A